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ample clearance must be provided to prevent jamming. Hinges must have pins or bearings of noncorrodible material. If shutters are fitted with securing appliances, these appliances must be of approved construction.

(f) The minimum freeing port area for each well on superstructure decks must be one-half of the area required by paragraph (b) of this section.

§ 45.119 Freeing port area: Changes from standard sheer.

The freeing port area required by §45.117(b) must be multiplied by the factor in the following table 5 if the sheer differs from the standard sheer defined in §45.63. Table 4.

TABLE 5
Freeing port area: Sheer correction.

Ratio of sums of actual sheer ord./std. sheer ord. Greater than:	Multiplier for area re- quired by § 45.117(b)
1.0	1.0
1.0	1.00
0.9	1.05
0.8	1.10
0.7	1.15
0.6	1.20
0.5	1.25
0.4	1.30
0.3	1.35
0.2	1.40
0.1	1.45
No sheer	1.50
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§45.121 Freeing port area: Changes for trunks and side coamings.

If a vessel has a trunk and does not meet the requirements of §45.61 or has continuous or substantially continuous hatchway side coamings between detached superstructures, the minimum area of the freeing port openings must be obtained from the following table:

Breadth of hatchway or trunk in relation to the breadth of ship	Area of freeing ports in relation to the total area of the bul- warks (percent)
40 percent or less	20 10

The area of freeing ports at intermediate breadths must be obtained by linear interpolation.

§ 45.123 Freeing port area: Changes for bulwark height.

- (a) For the purposes of freeing port area only, bulwark height is considered standard at 24 in for ships 240 ft in length and less; and 48 in for ships 480 ft in length or greater. The standard bulwark height for ships of intermediate length is obtained by direct interpolation.
- (b) If the bulwark is more than standard height, the area required by §45.117 must be increased by 0.04 square feet per foot (ft²/ft) of length of well for each foot difference in height.
- (c) For ships greater than 480 ft in length that have an average bulwark height less than 3 ft, the area required by §45.117 may be decreased by 0.04 ft²/ft of length for each foot difference in height.

§ 45.125 Crew passageways.

The vessel must have means for protection of the crew from boarding seas such as life lines, gangways, and underdeck passages to facilitate passing between their quarters and machinery spaces and other spaces essential to the operation of the ship.

§ 45.127 Position of structures, openings, and fittings.

For the purposes of this part—

- (a) Position 1 means in an exposed position on—
- (1) The freeboard deck or a raised quarter deck;
- (2) A superstructure deck or a trunk deck and forward of a point $\frac{1}{4}$ L from the forward perpendicular; or
- (3) A trunk deck whose height is less than $H_{\rm s}$.
 - (b) Position 2 means—
- (1) On a superstructure deck aft of a point $\frac{1}{4}$ L abaft the forward perpendicular; or
- (2) On a superstructure and trunk combination, that is $H_{\rm s}$ or more n height, aft or a point $^{1}\!\!/_{4}$ L abaft the forward perpendicular.

§ 45.129 Hull fittings: General.

Hull fittings must be securely mounted in the hull so as to avoid increases in hull stresses and must be protected from local damage caused by movement of equipment or cargo.